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For: **FIBER ARRAY SWITCH HAVING
MICROMACHINED FRONT FACE
WITH ROLLER BALLS**

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Group Art Unit: 2877

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Applicants respectfully request full and proper consideration of the listed information during examination of the application, and that the listed information be printed on any patent that issues therefrom.

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